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The kyng our souerayne lord Henry the. viii. after the conquest by the grace of god/kyng of Englande and of fraunce and lord of Irelande/ at his parlyamēt holden at westmester the. v. daye of february. In the. vii. yere of his most noble reygne to the honour of god and holy church/ and for the common welthe and profyte of his royalme/ by the assēt of the lordes spirituall and tempozall/ & the commons in this present parlyamēt assembled & by auctorite of the same: hath do to be ordeyned/ made/ & enacted/ certayne statutes & ordynances/ in manner & forme following.

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An acte concernynge Apparell to be vsed
and woꝛne. Capitulo. primo.



AS moche as the great and costely array / and apparell vsed within this realme / contrarie to good statutes therof made / hath ben þe occasyon of great impouerishynge of dyuers of the kynges subiectes / and prouoked of them to robbe / and to do extorcion / and other vnlawfull dedes to maynteyne therby theyr costely arrape. In esche wyng wherof be it ordeyned by the auctorite of this present Parliament / that no persone of what estate condycyon or degre þe he be / vse in his apparell any clothe of golde of purpure coloure / or sylke of purpure coloure / but onely the kyng / the quene / the kynges mother / the kynges chyldren / the kynges betherne and susters / bpon payne to forsayte the sayd apparell wherwith so euer it be myrte / & for vsynge the same to forsayte for euery tyme so offendynge. xx. li. And that no man vnder the estate of a duke / vse in any apparell of his body or bpon his hoxles / or hoxsharnes any clothe of golde of syluer / bpon payne of forsayte the same apparell / wherwith so euer it be myrte / garded or browde / and that for vsynge the same to forsayte euery tyme so offendynge. xx. markes. And that no man vnder the degre of an erle were in his apparell any furre of Sables / or blacke Fenettes / bpon payne to forsayte the same apparell / and for vsynge the same to forsayte for euery tyme so offendynge. xx. markes. And that no man vnder the degre of the sonne of a duke / marques / or erle / or þe degre of a baron vse in his apparell of his body / or of his hoxse / or hoxsharnes any clothe of Golde / or clothe of syluer / ne any suche appell / myrte / garded / or inbrowded with golde or syluer / bpon payne of forsaytoure of the same apparell / and for vsynge þe same to forsayte for euery tyme so offendynge. x. markes. And that no man vnder the degre of the sonne of a duke / erle / or the degre of a baron / or a knyght of the garter / were in his gowne / or cote / or in any other his apparell of his body / or apparell of his hoxse any heluet / of þe colowze of cremesyn or blewe / bpon payne to forsayte the same apparell / & for vsynge of the same to forsayte for euery tyme so offendynge. xl. s. And that no man vnder the degre of a baron sonne / or knyght / squyers for the kynges body / his cupberers / caruers / and sewers haupnge the ordynary fee for the same / and all other squyers for the body haupnge possessyon of lant

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des and tenementes/ or other heredytaries in their hande/ or other to theyr vse/ to the yerely value of. CCC. markes. Justices of the one bench or of the other/ the mayster of the rollys/ and barons of the kynges eschequer/ and all other of the kynges counsell/ and mayers of the cytie of London for the tyme beinge/ vse or were any Velvet/ or furred of Hartren in their apparelles for their bodys upon payne to forsaite the same furred apparel/ wherewith so euer it be myrte/ toynd/ garded/ or browdred/ and for vsynge of the same/ to forsaite for euery tyme soo offendynge. xl. s. And that none other man/ other than the parsons aboue named/ were satyn or Damaske in theyr gownes/ Jakettes nor Cotes/ except a Gentyllman hauynge in his possession/ or other to his vse/ landes/ or tenementis/ or annuities/ at the lest for terme of lyfe to y yerely value of. C. li. aboue all repyles/ upon payne to forsaite the same apparel wherewith so euer it be myrte/ or toynd/ garded/ or browdred/ and for vsynge of the same/ to forsaite. xl. s. for euery tyme so offendynge.

And that none other persone or persones/ other than be afoze namyd vse or were in theyr doublettes/ Satyn/ Damaske/ or Sylken chamlet/ except they haue landes/ or tenementis/ in his or theyr possession/ or other to his or theyr vse/ offyce or fee/ for terme of lyfe or lyues/ to the yerely value of. C. markis/ ouer all chargis/ upon payne to forsaite the same apparel/ wherewith so euer it be myrte/ toynd/ garded/ or browdred/ and for vsynge of the same to forsaite at euery tyme so offendynge. xl. s. And that no man vnder the degree of a gentyllman/ excepte graduates of the vniuersyties/ and excepte yomen/ gromes and pages of the kynges chamber/ of our souerayne lady the quenes/ and excepte suche men as haue landes/ tenementis/ fees/ or annuities to y yerely value of. x. li. for terme of lyfe/ or. C. li. in good/ vse or were any furred wherof there is no lyke kynde growynge in this lande of England/ Irlande/ Wales/ or in any landes vnder the kynges obeyssaunce/ upon payne to forsaite y same furred/ and for vsynge of the same to forsaite for euery tyme soo offendynge. xl. s. The value of theyr goodes to be tryed by theyr owne othes. And that no man vnder the degree of a knyght/ and other that be afoze named/ excepte spirituall men/ and sergiauntes at the lawe/ or graduates of the vniuersyties/ vse more clothe in a longe gowne than. iiii. brode yardes/ or in a rydyng gowne or cote aboue. iiii. yardis/ upon payne of forsaite four therof. And that no seruyng man vnder the degree of a Gentyllman/ vse or were a Gowne or cote of suche lyke apparel of more clothe than. iiii. brode yardes in a garment and that in the sayde gowne/ cote/ or garment they were no Chamlet/ nor no maner furre except Lambes furre/ of the growynge of this Realme of Englande/ Irlande/ or Wales/ upon payne to forsaite the sayd apparel/ or the value therof. And that no seruyng man vnder the degree of a Gentyllman

were any clothe in his Hoses aboute the pryce of. xx. d. the yerde/ bpon payne of forfaytoure of the same/ and for bynge of euery paye of Hoses/ wherof the yerde shall excede the pryce of. xx. d. as is aforesayde. iiii. s. iiii. d. And that no man from henceforth vnder the degre of a sonne of a Duke/ or erle/ or the degre of a Lord/ were or be any Apparell of his body Embroidered/ broched/ or garded/ with any golde/ syluer/ golde smyth warke/ sylke/ clothe or other thyng/ bpon payne of forfaytoure of the same apparell/ & for bynge the same/ to forfayte for euery tyme soo offendynge. xl. s. And that no man vnder the degre of a knyght/ were any cheyne of golde or gyfte/ or coloure of golde/ or any golde aboute his necke/ or Inbraceletes of golde/ bpon payne of forfaytoure therof. And that no man vnder the degre of a Gentryman/ were any Sylke poyntes/ or were any poyntes in any of his Apparell of his body/ with Agelettes of Golde/ or syluer/ or syluer gyfted/ or Button/ or broches of golde/ or syluer and gyfte/ or any golde smyth warke/ bpon payne of forfaytoure of the same. And that no man vnder the degre of a knyght or ther than be afoze excepte/ for weyng of gownes of syluer/ were any garded or pynched Shyrte/ or pynched partlet of Lynnen cloth/ or playne shyrte garnysshed/ or made with sylke/ or golde or syluer/ bpon payne of forfaytoure of the same Shyrte or partlet/ and for bynge of the same/ for euery tyme so offendynge. x. s. And that no seruante of husbandrye/ nor theparde/ comen labourer/ nor seruante vnto any Artificer out of Cytie/ or borough/ nor husbandman hauyng no goodes of his owne aboute the value of. x. li. be or were any clothe/ wherof the brode yerde passeth in pryce. ii. s. nor that any of the sayd seruantes of husbandrye/ thepardes/ nor labourers were any hose aboute the pryce. xii. d. the yerde/ bpon payne of Imprisonment in the stocks by. iiii. dayes/ and that euery of the vishers of the kynges Chamber/ for the tyme beyng haue the forfaytours of the sayde apparell so woone/ or be in the kynges courte/ contray to the fourme abouesayd/ by meane of leaseoure therof or by Accyon of detynue for the same. And he that firste leaseeth or sueth the sayde Accyon to haue the same forfaytour/ and that euery of the sayde vishers that shall so lease/ or haue accyon for mysusynge of the sayd apparell/ may haue accyon of dette for recouery of the sayd penalties befoze lymitted. And if none of the sayd vishers lease the sayd Apparell/ ne comence theyr accyon within. xv. dayes in the terme nexte after the sayd forfaytoure/ than the kynges Chamberlayne for the tyme beyng too lease the same Apparell/ and to haue lyke accyon. And also be it enacted/ that if any lyke forfaytoure be comytted or done in the Quenes Courte/ that than any of the vishers of her Chamber/ and in theyr defaute the Quenes Chamberlayne for the tyme beyng/ maye lyke myse lease and haue lyke accyon for the sayd Apparell so forfayted and Penalties in the Quenes Courte/ as is afoze reherfed for the

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kynges bishers & his Chamberlayne. And in the defaute of the sayd bishers and chamberlayne/ the kyng to haue the sayd forfaytours of the sayd Apparells and the penaltyes for werynge of the same by leaseoure therof/ by accyon/ or by Informacyon in his Elchequer/ or by Inquysicion. And that it shall be lesfull to euery of the kynges subiectes/ to lease any apparell bled or woꝛne by any man out of the kynges Courte/ and Quenes courte/ contrary to the fourme abouesayd/ or to haue therfoze accyon of detynue for the sayde apparell/ and to haue the same to his pꝛopꝛe vse. And if any persone so vsyng suche apparell make any resystence for delyuerye therof/ that than he for his resystaunce/ shall lose and forfayte asmoche as he shulde forfayte/ by this estatute ouer and aboue the forfaytoure/ and penaltyes contepned in this estatute for vsyng or weryng of the same apparell. And that euery of the kynges subiectes maye haue theyꝝ accyon of detynue for the sayde apparell so forfayted. And the kyng our Soueraygne loꝛde/ to haue the one halfe of the forfaytoure of the sayde Money so forfayted. And the partye that wyl sue/ haue the other halfe. And the sulte to be by accyon of dette / and that in any of all the sayd accyons in dette/ or detynue/ the defendante shall nat wage his lawe/ nor be by Proteccyon nor Ellopye/ nor the partye to be barred by the kynges pardon/ nor be delayed by any Plee/ to the dyslabement of his persone. And that the loꝛde Stewarde of the kynges houle for the tyme beyng within the Werge/ and Justyces of assyse/ and Justyces of the peas Stewardes in letes/ or lawe dayes / and euery of theym haue also power too Inquyre and holde Plee of euery defaute of the pꝛemysses/ as well by exampnacion of the partye/ as after the course of the comen lawe/ and to determyne the same as well at the kynges sulte/ as at the sulte of the partye.

Wrouded alwaye that this Acte be nat pꝛesudycall nor hurtfull to any Spirituall and Tempozall man/ in weryng any Ornamentes of the Churche in executynge dyuine seruyce/ nor to any Marchauntes straungers.

Wrouded also that it shall be lesfull to all Mayres/ Recoꝛders/ Aldermen Sheryffes/ Baylyffes/ and all other heed offycers of Cyties/ or Boughes or Townes corpoꝛat/ that now be or hereafter shalbe/ to vse & were lyke Apparell in theyꝝ Gownes/ Dowblettes/ Clokes/ & other apparell/ as theyꝝ pꝛecessours haue done in tymes paste/ this acte in any wyle nat wistadyng.

Wrouded also that this acte be nat pꝛesudycall/ nor hurtfull to any Ambascytours/ Henslemen/ Harrolde of armys/ Mynstrelles/ players in Enterludes/ nor to any man weryng the apparell of the kynges Lyuery gyuen to hym by the kyng/ for the tyme of attendaunce aboute the kynges grace.

And that this acte of Arraye made at this present Parlyament / begynne to take his Effecte at the feest of saynt Mychell tharchaungell next comynge. And this acte to endure for ever.

Wherby also that it shalbe lawfull to all Mayers / recorders / Aldermen / Sheryffes / Baylyffes / Jurates of the Lynke Portes / and all other heed officers / as well of all Cyties / Townes / and Borowghes corporat / as of the Lynke Portes / after that they haue ben in any suche office or Rowme / to vse & were all suche Apparell as they dyde / or vse in tyme of occupacyon & exercysynge of theyr sayd offices / or any of them.

Wherby also that it shalbe lefull to euery knyghtes sonne / Heir / apparant shal vse and were in theyr apparell Weluet / Sylkes / and furies in lyke maner and fourme / as the Barons of the kynges Exchequers may do. And this acte to endure for ever.

Wherby also that this acte of apparell / ne any thyng conteyned in the same / extende nat neyther be in any wyse hurtfull / or prejudyciall vnto any persone or persones to whome it shal please the kynges hyghnes / to licence by his Placarde / to vse or were Apparell of his or theyr bodyes / or howles contrary to the tenoure of this acte. And that it be enacted by the auctorite of this present Parlyament that euery suche licence by the kynges placarde by his hyghnes to be made / shal be as good and effectuell in the Lawe to euery suche persone and persones concernynge this acte of Apparell / as though it were vnder the kynges great Seale.

An acte concernynge the mayntenaunce of
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Wherby the Comons in this presente Parlyament assembled / that where in the Parlyament holden at Westmester / the. iiii. daye of february / the. iiii. yere of the Regne of our Soueraygne lord the kyng & now is. Our sayd Souerayne lord / than callynge to his moste noble and gracyous remembraunce / that by the feate and exercyse of the subiectes of this his Realme in shotynge in longe Bowes there hath contynually growen and ben within the same / great nombze and multytude of good Archers whiche hath nat onely defended this Realme / and the subiectes therof agaynst the cruell malyce and daunger of theyr outwarde Enmyes / in tyme here tofore passed / but also with lytell nombze and payssaunce in regarde haue done many uoble Actes / and dyscomfytures of

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warre agaynst the Infydellys and other. And furthermoze subdued and reduced byuerse and many Regyons/ and Countrees to theyr obeyssaunce/ to the great honour/ fame/ and suertye of this Realme and Subgiettes. And to the terryble drede and fere of all straunge Racyons any thyng to attempte/ or do to the hurte or damage of them/ or any of them. And albest that byuerse good and profytable Statutes in the tyme of his noble progenytours/ and pcedecessours Kynges of this Lande for the mayntenaunce of Archery and longe Bowes here tofoze haue ben made/ amongst whiche the ryght famous kyng of noble memozye Henry the. vii. father to our sayd Soueraygne Lorde/ by the Auctoryte of dyuerse Parlyamentes/ caused good and noble Actes and Statutes to be establyshed and made/ and that Shotynge in Crossebowes shulde be set on parte/ and nat bled. And also that great nombze of Bowstaues of Ewe/ shulde be brought and conueyed by Marchauntres reparynge in to this Realme/ Frome those parties where they growe/ upon certayne paynes in the same Statutes lympted and cōteyned. yet neuerthelesse Archery and shotynge in longe Bowes/ is ryght lytell bled/ but dayly mynyssheth/ decayeth/ and abateth moze and moze/ for that moche partye of the Comynalte and pooze people of the Realme/ wherby of olde tyme the great Nombze and substaunce of Archers hath growen and multiplyed/ be nat of power nor abylyte to brynge them longe bowes of Ewe/ to exercise Shotynge in the same/ and to susteyne the contynual charge therof.

¶ And also by meanes and occasyon of custonable blage/ of Cēnes playe/ Bowles/ Closshe/ and other vnlaufull games/ prohibyt by many good and benefyciall Estatutes by auctoryte of Parlyament in that behalfe/ proupyded and made great Inpouertyshement hath ensued/ and many heynous Murders/ Robberyes/ and felonyes be comytted and done. ¶ And also the deuyne seruyce by suche mysse doers on Holy & festyual dayes nat herde or solemnysed to the hygh displeasure of almyghty god/ wherfore the kynges byghnes of his moost blessed dysposycion/ great wysdome & prouydence/ and also zeale to the publyke wele/ suertye and defence of this his Realme & subgiettes and theyr auncyent fame in this behalfe/ to be reuyued & repared by thassent of his lordes Spirituall & Tempozall/ and his Cōmons in this sayde Parlyament assembled/ & by thauctoryte of the same/ hath ordayned enacted and establyshed that the Statutes of Wynchester for Archers to be put in due execution. And ouer that/ that euery man beyng the kynges subiecte/ nat lame decreput/ nor maymed/ nor haupnge any other laūfull or resonable cause/ or Impedymment/ beyng within the age of. xl. yeres excepte men spirituall/ Justices of the one Benche and of the other/ Justices of Assyse/ and Barons of the chequer shulde ble/ and exercise shotynge in longe bowes. ¶ And also to haue a Bowe and arrowes redy contynually in his house/ to ble hymselfe/ and

do vse hymselfe in shotynge. And also the father/gouernours/ and rulers of
suche as be of tender age/ do teche and bynge by them in the knowlege of the
same shotynge. And that euery man haue a man childe/ or men children
in his house/ shall prouide/ ordeyne/ & haue in his house for euery man childe
bynge of thage of. vii. yeres and aboue tyll he come to thage of. xviij. yeres/ a
bowe and. ii. shaftes to enduse & lerne them/ and byng them by in shotynge/
and shall deliuer all the same bowe and arrowes to the same yonge men to vse
and occuppe. And if the same yonge men be seruauntes/ that than theyr may-
sters shall abate the money that they shall paye for the same bowes & arrowes
of theyr wages/ and after all suche yonge men shall come to thage of. xviij. ye-
res/ euery of them shall prouide and haue a bowe and. iiii. arrowes contyn-
ally for hymselfe/ at his propre costes and charges/ or elles of hys gyftes or pro-
uysyon of his frendes/ and vse & occuppe the same in shotynge (as is afore re-
herced) And that the Justices of assyses of gaole deliuerie/ Justices of peas/
and Stewardes of fraunchyses/ lete/ and lawdaye/ haue power to Inquyre
of all the premisses in theyr sessyons/ letes and lawdayes/ and here & deter-
myne the same/ & also by theyr discrecion examyne all psones lackynge/ & nat
haue bowes/ shaftes/ & arrowes accorde to the fourme afore sayd/ & eue-
ry persone that shall be founde by suche Inquyre or examynacyon in defaute/
and nat prouydynge and haue bowes/ arrowes/ & shaftes redy by the space
of one moneth/ shall forfayte & paye for euery such defaute. xii. d. & where any
suche forfaytoure shall happen to be founden within the pyncte of any fraun-
chyse/ lete/ or lawday/ than the lord of the same fraunchyse/ lete/ or lawday shall
haue hys forfaytoure therof/ and in all other places all suche forfaytoures to be
to the kynge our soneraygne lord his heiers and successours. And that all
statutes here to fore made agaynst them that vse vnlawfull games/ be duely
put in excecucion & punysshement had accorde to the penalties of the same/
as well agaynst the offenders and occupiers of suche vnlawfull games/ as a-
gaynst them that be owners/ or keepers of houses/ or other places/ where any
suche vnlawfull games be vled/ accorde to the purpoze/ tenoure/ and en-
tent of the same statutes. And furthermore that all Justices of the peas/ may-
res/ Baylyffes/ Sheryffes/ Constables/ and all other heed offycers/ and eue-
ry of them synndynge or knowynge any maner persone or persones/ vsynge
or exercysynge any vnlawfull games contrary to the sayd estatutes/ haue full
power and auctorite to commytte euery suche offender to warde/ there to re-
mayne without bayle or maynpryse/ to suche tyme he or they so offendynge
be bounden by obligacyon to the kynges vse/ in suche sūme of money as by
discrecion of the sayde Justices/ Mayers/ Baylyffes/ or other heed offycers
shall be thought resonable/ that they nor any of them shall nat from henceforth
vse any vnlawfull games. And that euery bower within this Realme alway

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make for euery one bowe of Ewe that he maketh to selle / at the lest. ii. bowes of Elme / Wyche / or other wode of meane pryce. And if they or any of theym refuse so to do / and it founden before the Justices of Peas in the Shyre / or Mayers / Baylyffes / or other heed officer of Cyties / or boroughes by presentment of. xii. men / or by due examynacyon before the sayde Justices of peas or. ii. of them / or before the sayd Mayers / or Baylyffes / that than y same Justices / Mayers / or baylyffes haue full auctorite and power to comytte them to warde / there to remayne without bayle or maynpysle / by the space of. viii. dayes or more / by the discrecyon of the sayd Mayers and baylyffes. And also that buttres be made in euery cytie / towne / and place accordyng to the lawe of Huncpente tyme vsed. And that the inhabytauntes and dwellers in euery of theym be compelled to make and contynue suche Buttres / and to exercyse them selfe with longe bowes in shotynge at the same / and elles where on holy dayes / and other tymes couenient. And ouer that it is enacted by the sayd Auctorite that euery Justice of Peas within this Realme / or. ii. of theym within theyr seuerall Iurisdiccions / haue full power and auctorite to take assygne and appoynt Bowiers in. iii. ii. or more places / by theyr discrecyon within euery Shyre / Cytye / or boroughes / where the moost comen repaire and reforte is of his subiectes / and there to Inhabyte and make longe Bowes of Elme / wyche / or other wode of lytell pryce and value to serue the Compynalte for the due exercyse of shotynge / and to take and compell as many of them as they shall thynke necessary by theyr discrecyons to inhabyte at suche places for the same. And soo in lyke wyse as often as the case shall requyre / and thought behouefull / and that all bowe staues of Ewe hereafter to be brought into this Realme to be solde be open / and nat solde in bundelles / nor close to the intent the byers of theym maye haue perfyte knowledge of the goodnes of them / and gyue the better pryce for them if they be so worthe. And be it also Enacted by the auctorite afoze sayde / that all Mayers / Baylyffes / Sheriffes and all other heed officers shall make open proclamacyon of these presentes in euery Market and Fayre / to be holden within theyr seuerall Iurisdiccions and auctorites. And also that the Justice of the Gaole / deliuerer assyles / and Justices of peas / doo cause the same to be proclammed in theyr seuerall circuytes and Sessions before theym holden. And also that noo stranger borne out of the Kynges obeysaunce / nat beyng / Denysen / shall nat conuey / nor do to be conueyed into any parties out of the Kynges obeysaunce any longe Bowes / Arrowes or Shaftes / without the kynges specyall licence / vpon payne of forfaytour of the same / where soo euer they shall be taken within this the Kynges power / and vpon payne of Imprysonement without bayle or maynpysle / vnto suche tyme he or they so beyng in warde / haue made a resonable fyne to the kyng for this / or theyr offences afoze the

Justice of peas oꝝ. ii. of theym in theyꝝ lessyons in the same countye/ where he
oꝝ they shalbe comytted to warde to fynde suffycient suerty foꝝ the payment
of the same fyne. Item that no maner of person nat beyng bozne within the
kynges/ obeyssaunce nat made Denysen / bse within the kynges obeyssaunce
shotynge with longe bowes without the kynges lycence vpon payne of foꝝfay
toure / suche bowes/ arrowes/ and shaftes / as they shalbe founden so shotynge
with/ and euery of the kynges subiectes may haue auctozite to take and lease
the same foꝝfaytours to his owne bse as in the sayde acte moze playnly appe-
ryth/ whiche acte was made to endure to this pꝛesent parlpyment. And foꝝ
asmoche as the sayd acte is good and necessary foꝝ bpholdynge of archery foꝝ
the defence of this realme. Be it therfoꝝ oꝝdeyned establisshed and enacted by
the kyng our souerayne loꝝde / and the loꝝdes spirituall and tempozall / & the
cōmons in this pꝛesent parlpyment assembled / and by auctozite of the same/
that the sayd acte/ and euery thyng therein conteyned/ as is afoꝝe reherſed shal
from hensfoꝝthe stāde and be in full strengthe/ vertue/ & effecte foꝝ euermoze.

An acte concernynge artifycers and labourers.
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Where diuerse estatutes befoze this tyme haue ben made and ordeyned for seruantes of husbande / and also for labourers and artificers by duetie and royall and noble pge / nptoures vnto our souerayne lord the kynge nowe beyng / And in especyall a statute made by the ryght noble pynce of blessyd memozye kynge Henry the .vi. vncle vnto oure sayd souerayne lord. xxxiii. yere of his reygne / whiche nat withstandynge great and many defautes dayly encrease rest and contynue amonge labourers and artificers / some bycause of the sayde estatutes be nat executed / and some bycause the remedy of the sayde estatutes is nat very petyte nor gyueth certayne ne hasty remedy / so that dayly by theyr subtil pynnyng in defraude of the sayd estatutes many of the kynge our souerayne lordes subiectes be hurte / deceyued lette and domaged in theyr buyldyng and husbande. Be it therfore establisshed / enacted / and ordeyned by auctorite of this present parliament. ffirste that no baylyffe of husbande shall take for his wages by yere aboute. xxi. s. viii. d. for clothyng. v. s. with mete and drynke / no chiefe hyne as a carter or chiefe sheparde aboute. xx. s. by the yere and for his clothyng. v. s. with mete and drynke / no comen seruante of husbande aboute. xxi. s. viii. d. by yere / for his clothyng. iiii. s. with mete and drynke / no woman seruante aboute. x. s. by yere / and for her clothyng.

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iii. s. with mete and dzyne/ no chylde within thage of. xliii. yeris aboue. bi. s. biii. d. by yere/ and for his clothyng. iiii. s. with mete and dzyne. And that no artifycer ne labourer hereafter named take no moze ne greater wages/ than in this statute is lymytted byon the payne selled as well to the taker/ as to the gyuer. That is to saye a fremason/ mayster carpeter/ roughmason/ byrke layer/ mayster tyler/ plommer/ glaspyoure/ caruer/ ne Joyner/ fro Ester/ to Myghelmas euery of these artifycers aforesayd. bi. d. by the day without mete and dzyne/ and with mete and dzyne. iiii. d. And fro Myghelmas to Ester. b. d. without mete and dzyne. and with mete and dzyne. iiii. d. And that the wages of a shypwryght/ from the feest of Candelmas vnto the feest of seynt Myghell tharchanngell shall nat excede the fourme ensuyng. That is to say a mayster shypcarpenter takynge the charge of the warke/ hauynge men vnder hym by the day. b. d. with mete and dzyne/ and without mete and dzyne. bi. d. An other shyppe carpenter callyd a hewer by the day. iiii. d. with mete and dzyne/ and without mete and dzyne. bi. d. An able clyncher by the day. iiii. d. with mete and dzyne/ and without mete and dzyne. b. d. An holder by the day. ii. d. with mete and dzyne/ without mete and dzyne. iiii. d. A mayster calker by the day. iiii. d. with mete and dzyne/ and without mete and dzyne. bi. d. An other meane calker by the day. iiii. d. with mete and dzyne/ and without mete and dzyne. b. d. A calker labourynge by the tyde/ for as longe tyme as he may labour aboute the water/ & beneth the water shall nat excede for his wages/ for euery tyde. iiii. d. with mete & dzyne. And from the feest of Myghelmas to Candelmas/ the wages of a mayster shypwryght by the day. iiii. d. with mete and dzyne/ and without mete and dzyne. bi. d. An hewer by the day. iiii. d. with mete and dzyne/ & without mete & dzyne. b. d. An able clyncher by the day. ii. d. ob. with mete and dzyne/ and without mete & dzyne. iiii. d. ob. An holder by the day. i. d. ob. with mete and dzyne/ and without mete and dzyne. iiii. d. A mayster calker by the day. iiii. d. with mete and dzyne/ and without mete and dzyne. b. d. An other meane calker by the day. ii. d. ob. with mete & dzyne/ and without mete & dzyne. iiii. d. ob.

¶ Be it also enacted that in suche shyres and countres/ that where it hath be/ and is now bled to gyue lesse wages/ that in those shyres and countres they shall gyue/ and the taker of the sayd wages be compelled occorpyng as they haue lesse bled to take this acte nat withstandynge. And the mayster mason and mayster carpenter/ whiche shall take the charge of the werke hauynge vnder hym or theym. bi. men/ shall haue. bi. d. without mete & dzyne/ & b. d. by day with mete and dzyne. And euery person and artifycer specified in this statute beyng nat reteyned in any seruyce for any werke be compelled to serue euery other person for suche wages/ as in this statute befoze is lymytted. And that no artifycer reteyned in any seruice/ to werke with the kyng/ bygh

to be by the day
and by the day

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departynge therfro/longe sypptynge at theyr brekefast/ at theyr dynner/ and at theyr none meate/ and longe tyme of sleppynge atte after none/ to the losse and hurte of suche persones as the sayde artysfycers and labourers/ ben reteyned with in seruyce. ¶ It is therfore establisshed enacted/ and ordeyned by Austozpte afoze sayde that every Artysficer and labourer/ Be at werke bytwene the myddes of the moneth of Marche/ & the myddes of the moneth of September befoze. v. of the cloke in the moynynge/ and that he haue but halfe an houre for his brekefaste/ and an houre & an halfe for his dynner/ at suche tyme as he hath the season for slepe to hym appoynted by the sayde Estatute/ and at suche tyme as it is here in appoynted/ he shall nat slepe/ than he to haue but an houre for his dynner/ and halfe an houre for his none meate/ and that he departe nat from his werke bytwene the myddes of the monethes of Marche and Septembze/ tyll bytwene. vii. and. viii. of the cloke in the euenynge. And if they/ or any of theym offende in any of these Artycles/ That than theyr defaultes to be marked by hym/ or his deputye that shall paye theyr wages/ and at the wekes ende/ to be abated of suche rate of tyme as they haue offended. And that from the myddes of Septembze/ to the myddes of Marche/ every Artysficer and labourer/ be at theyr werke in the sypptyng of the day/ and departe nat tyll nyght of the same daye/ and that the sayde artysfycers and labourers slepe nat by day/ but onely from the myddes of the moneth of May. Austozpte that if any artysficer/ or labozer reteyned in seruyce with any pson for byldynge or repacyon do assaute or make/ or cause to be made any assemble/ to assaute/ harne or hurte any pson assygnd to cositroll/ or ouer se them in theyr workynge/ that he or they so defendynge haue Imprisonement for a yere without lettynge to bayll/ or maynpzyle. And furthermoze to make fyne at the kynges wyll. The same assemble/ or assaute to be tryed by examynacyon befoze the Justices of peas/ as is afoze sayde. This acte to begyn and take effecte at the feest of Whitsotyd/ next comynge/ & in the meane tyme the same to be proclaymed in every good Cytie/ Bowwe/ & Towne of this Realme.

¶ Couyded alway that this Acte ne any thyng therin conteyned extende nat ne be preiudycall to any parson/ or parsons for mynynge/ or dyggynge for any Coole/ called see Coole/ otherwyle called smythes Coole/ or for makingynge of any Glasse.

¶ Couyded alway that this Acte/ or any thyng therin conteyned extende nat/ ne in any wyle be hurtfull/ or preiudycall to any myners/ workers/ or labozers of Cynne/ Ledde/ Itenne/ or Spluer/ or for any wages takynge a/ boutte & dyggynge settynge/ or fyndynge of the same Metalles/ this Acte or any thyng therin conteyned nat withstandynge.

An acte for pclamacyons to be made befoze the Crigentis
be awarded in fozen Shyrres. Cap. iiii.



Here at a Parlyament holden at Westmester the. iiii. daye
of februarpe / in the thyrde yere of the reygne of our soue-
raygne lord kyng Henry the. viii. that now is / & frome
thens for dyuers byget causes vnto p. iiii. day of Nouem-
ber the. iiii. yere of the reygne of our sayd soueraygne lord
prologed one good & resonable acte was made and ordeyn-
ned to wychynge wyttes of proclamacyon to be made byon
exigendes / sued agayne any psons in fozen or other Shyre / than where suche
defendaunt be called of onely to endure from thens vnto the next Parlyament
whiche Acte is nowe determyned the effecte & trewe entent of which sayd acte
is thought ryght auaylable & comoduous / and in auoydynge of outlawryes
hereafter to be pronounced agayne any parson by reason of suche foraygne
sutes to haue contynewance and perpetually to endure. ¶ Be it therfore by
the Kyng our soueraygne lord / with assent of the lordes Spirituall and
temporall / and the comons in this Parlyament assembled / and by the aucto-
ryte of the same Parlyament / enacted / ordeyned and establyshed / that if and
where any wytte of Crigent at any tyme from the. xv. daye of Ester next com-
ynge / or after shalbe awarded at the sewte of our souerayne lord the kyng /
or any other parson / or parsones playntyfe / or playntiffes in any Accyon
parsonall agayne any parson / or psons called of any Shyre / or Cytie beyng
a Shyre corpozate on it selfe / or elles late of any suche Shyre / or Cytie other
than into suche Shyre / or Cytie / wherinto suche Crigent shall be awarded
to be called accorpyng to the lawe. And also in euery Wytte of Crigent in
any Accyon personall wherof the proces / or Crigent at the sayde. xv. daye of
Ester / or after shalbe directed in to London or mydd / the defendaunt beyng
called late of London / or late of mydd / and at the tyme of the Crigent a war-
ded nat dwellynge in London / noz in mydd / or elles p the sayd defendaut / or
defendautes in the same Crigent dwell in any other Shyre / or place than
where the kynges wytte renneth / than the Justycs befoze whom any suche
Crigent is to be awardyd in all Accyons where the Crigent shall nat be dy-
rected into London noz mydd / to awarde a Wytte of proclamacyon to be
dyrected to the Sheryfe of the same Countye / where hit dothe apere by the
wysynge of such Accyon that the partye defendaut is / or lately was dwellynge
if the kynges Wytte there be currant & elles to the nexte Shyre adioynynge
to the Countye or Countyes / or other places wherof the partye is callyd / or
lately supposed by the sayd Crigent to haue his beyng of where the kynges
Wyt so renneth nat / & in euery Accyon as befoze sayd / wherof the Crigent shall

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be dyrected into London oꝝ myddel/ & the defēdaunt oꝝ defēdantis in þe same cal-
 led late of London/ oꝝ of myddel/ & at tyme of þe Cregēt awarded nat haupnge
 his oꝝ theȝ dwellynge in London oꝝ myddel/ than the Wȝtte of proclamaci-
 on to be awarded made & dyrected vnto the Sheryfe of the Shyre/ where the
 defendant at the tyme of the Cregēt so agayne hym/ oꝝ them awarded shall
 haue his dwellynge/ oꝝ in case where the kynges Wȝtte renneth nat vnto the
 nexte Shyre there vnto adioynnge/ the which sayd Wȝtte of pclamacyon
 shall cōtayne the effecte of the same Accyon & that the Sheryfe of the Countye
 to whom any suche Wȝtte of pclamacyon shalbe directed/ to make. iiii. pcla-
 macyons within his Countye at. iiii. seuerall dayes/ that is to saye two of the
 same pclamacions in the full and playne Shyre court of the same Countye
 and the thyrde of the sayd pclamacions to be made at the generall Sellpous
 in those ptyes where the ptye defēdant is suppoled to be dwellynge/ oꝝ in the
 partyes of the Countye nexte adioynnge the Countye/ oꝝ Countyes where
 the kynges Wȝtte renneth nat that the ptye defēdant yelde him selfe to the
 Sheryfe of the fozeſh Countye to whome any suche Crigent in any Accyon
 psonall is awarded so that the Sheryfe of suche fozeſh Countyes may bpon
 his yeldynge haue the body of the sayd defēdant befoze the Justices/ befoze
 whome any suche Crigent is awarded at the daye of the same Crigent com-
 pyled there to answere to the playntpfe in the same accoꝝdng to the lawe.
 And that euery suche Wȝtte of proclamacyon / shall haue the same daye of
 retourne as the Wȝtte of Crigent/ bpon suche fozeſh Accyons soo awarded
 shall haue/ and that euery suche Wȝtte of proclamacyon be deliuered of re-
 coꝝde to the Sheryfe / oꝝ deputye of the Countye into the whiche any suche
 Wȝtte of proclamacion is to be awarded. And that the Sheryfe of the same
 Countye duely doo execute the same / and therof make trewe retourne at the
 daye of the same Wȝtte appoynted/ bpone payne to forfayte suche amercy-
 ament vnto the kyng our sayd Soueraygne loꝝde / and to his Heys / as by
 the dyſcretion of the Justices befoze whom suche Crigent shalbe returnable
 to be sette/ and that the offycer in whose offyce suche Crigent is taken/ make
 out the sayd Wȝtte and Wȝttes of pclamacyon as here after shalbe awar-
 ded in any of the sayde Courtes. And that the same Offycer take nomoze for
 the makynge of any suche Wȝtte of proclamacyon / and the entrynge of the
 same of recoꝝde/ but onely. vi. s. And if any outlawye hereafter be hadde/ oꝝ
 promulged agaynst any persone oꝝ psons in any Accyon psonall in any fozeſh
 Countye and no Wȝtte of proclamacyon / as is afozeſayd awarded and re-
 tourned/ that than euery suche outlawye to be utterly boyde and of none ef-
 fecte ne foꝝce in the lawe. And that all outlawyes had contrary to this Acte
 be auoyded/ by abettement without supnge of any Wȝtte of errours.

An acte aduopdyng distruccon and pullynge downe
of Townes. Cap. v.



He Kyng our Soueraygne Lorde/ callynge to his moste
blessed remembraunce that where great inconuenientis
be and dayly encrease by desolacyon/ pullynge downe/ and
distruccon of Houses/ and Townes within this realme/
and layinge to pasture Landes whiche customably haue
ben manured / and occupped with Tyllage and husban-
drye wherby Idelnesse doeth encrease. For where in some
one Towne two hundred persones/ Men/ and Women/ and Chyl-
drene and theyr Ancestours out of tyme of mynde/ were dayly occupped and lyued by
sowynge of corne/ and greynes bredynge of catell/ and other encrease neces-
sary for Mannes sustenaunce. And now the sayd parsones & theyr progeny
is mynysshed and decreaced / Wherby the husbandry whiche is the greatest
comodyte of this Realme/ for sustenaunce of man is greatly decayed/ chur-
ches destroyed/ the seruyce of god withdrawen/ christen people there buryed
nat prayed for/ the patrones & curates wronged/ Cyties and market townes
brought to great ruyne and decaye/ necessaryes for mannes sustenaunce made
scarce and dere/ the people sore mynysshed in the Realme/ wherby the power
and defence therof is febled and enpayred/ to the hygh displeasure of god and
agaynste his lawes / and to the subuersyon of the common weale of this Re-
alme/ and desolacyon of the same/ yf substauncyall and speddy remedy be nat
therfore pouyded. ¶ Wherfore the Kyng our Soueraygne Lorde by the ad-
uyce / and assente of the lordes Sppirituall / and Temporal / and the Com-
mons in this present Parlyament assembled / & by the Auctorite of the same
ordeyneth stablysheth and enacteth that all suche Townes/ Tyllages/ Bo-
roughes/ and Hamletes/ Tythyng houses/ and other enhabytacyons in any
parlyshe/ or parlyshes within this Realme. Wherof the moze parte the fyrste
daye of this present Parlyament/ was or were bled and occupped to tyllage
and Husbandrye by the owner / or owners therof for theyr owne spnguler
profyte/ auayle and lucre/ wylfully herythe the sayde fyrst daye/ or hereafter
shall be suffred / or caused to fall downe and decaye wherby the husbandrye
of the sayde Townes/ Tyllages/ Boroughs/ Hamletes/ Tythynges Hou-
ses/ and other enhabytacyons and parlyshes within this Realme benne/ or
hereafter shalbe decayed and tourned frome the sayde bled and occupacyon of
Husbandry and tyllage / into pasture shalbe by the sayde owner / or owners
theyr heyrres successours / or assygnes or other for theym within. i. yere nexte
after suche wylfull decaye/ Reedyfied and made agayne mete and conueny-
ente for people to dwell and Inhabyte in the same/ and to haue bled and therein

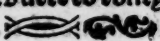
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to exercise Husbandrye and Tillage as at the sayde fyrste daye of this presente Parlyamente / or sythen was there bled / occupied and hadde after the maner and blage of the Countrey where the sayde lande lyeth / at the costes and charges of the same owner / or owners theyr heyres / successours / or assignes. And if sythen the sayde fyrste daye of this presente Parlyament any landes whiche at the same fyrst day / or sythen were comonly bled in Tillage ben enclosed / or from henceforth shalbe enclosed and tourned onely to pasture wherby any plough / or Husbandes house within this Realme / is or shalbe here after decayed / that than all suche Landes shal be by the same owner / or owners theyr heyres / successours or assignes / or other for theym within the yere nexte ensuyng the same decaye / putte in Tillage / and exercised bled and occupied in Husbandrye and Tillage / as they were the sayd fyrst daye of this presente Parlyament / or any tyme sythen / after the maner and blage of the Countrey where suche lande lyeth. And if any parson / or parsones do contrary to the premyses / or any of theym / that than it be lesfull to the Kyng if any suche Landes / or Houses ben holden of hym Immediately / or to the Lordes of the fees if any suche Landes / or Houses ben holden of theym Immediately to receyue perely halfe the value of the issues / and profittes of any suche landes wherof þ house / or houses be nat so maynteyned and susteyned. And the same halfe dele of the issues and profittis to haue / holde and kepe to his / or theyr owne ble without any thyng therfore to be payed / or gyven to suche tyme as the same house / or houses be suffyciently bylded / or repayred agayne. And that noo maner of freholde be in the Kyng / ne in any suche Lord / or Lordes by the takynge of any suche ptytis of or in any suche Landes in no maner of fourme. But onely the Kyng / and the sayd Lord / or Lordes haue power to take / receyue / and haue the sayd issues / and profittes as is abovesayde. And therfore the Kyng / or the sayde Lord / or Lordes to haue power to dystreigne for the same issues / and ptytis to be had and preyued by theym in fourme abovesayde by Auctorite of this present acte.

Be it further enacted that if any of the sayd Lord / or Lordes Immediate do nat execute the pmisses accordynge to the tenoure of this Acte / that than the Lordes Immediate aboue them within halfe a yere nexte after that haue receyue / and take the moitye of the issues / and profittis therof in lyke maner and fourme as is aforesayd of the sayd Lord / or Lordes Immediate / and so euery Lord / or Lordes frome one to an other to haue lyke tyme / and auauntage of and in the pmisses as in this sayd Acte is conteyned.

Wherby it is ordeyned that this Acte extende nat / nor be nat prejudyciall / or hurtfull to any Marke or Markes / or any Marthe or Marthes / for wallyng

oz en closynge of the same/ within this Realme. This acte to contynue vnto the feest of the Natyuite of our lord nexte comynge. 

An acte for remyttynge Prysoners with theyr Indictamentis to the places where the Crymes were comytted. Cap. vi.



Here dyuerse felons/ and Murdeters bypon feyned and vntreue surmysses/ haue often tymes removed as well theyr bodyes as theyr Indictamentis/ by wytte and otherwyle before the kyng in his benche/ & can nat by the ordre of the lawe/ be remytted & sente downe to the Justices of Gaile deliuary/ oz of Peace/ ne other Justices/ ne Comissioner to procede bypon theym after the course of the Comon lawe. Be it therfore ordeyned and enacted by the auctorite of this present Parlyament / that the Justices of the kynges benche / for the tyme beyng haue full auctorite and power by theyr dyscrecons/ to remaunde and sende downe as well the bodyes of all felos & Murdeters brought oz remoued/ oz that shalbe removed oz brought before the kyng in his benche / as theyr Indictementis in to the Coutyes where as the same Murders/ oz felonys haue ben comytted and done. And to comaunde all Justices of Gaile deliuary Justices of Peace/ and all other Justices/ and Comissioners/ and euery of theym to procede/ and determyne bypon all the foresayd bodyes and Indictementis/ so removed after the course of the Comon lawe/ in such maner as the same Justices of Gaile deliuary/ Justices of peace/ and other Comissioners/ oz any of theym mought oz shulde haue done/ if the sayd Prysoners/ oz Indictementis had neuer ben brought in to the sayd kynges benche.

An acte concernynge Wages for Botemen. Capitulo. vii.



Here as by the laudable custome/ and blage within this realme of Englande/ tyme out of mynde bled/ that euery of the kynges subiects & all other psones passyng by the ryuers of Chample oz medway/ & repayrynge to the same by Water/ i Barge oz Wherry Bote/ that is to say/ from London to Grauesende/ & from Grauesende to London/ one pson oz mo to haue a Barge of the owners oz occupers of the same to passe the selfe with theyr Hales/ oz fardelles bytwene the sayd places for the onely summe of. iiii. s. oz elles euery pson passyng in the

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sayde Barge to paye for hym selfe / or for hym selfe his Male / or fardell. ii. s. so that þe same sūme of. ii. s. of euery pson amout to the sūme of. iiii. s. And a Whery bote bytwene the sayde places for the sūme of. ii. s. hathe ben compelled to passe forth at euery tyde bytwene the sayde places. And in lyke wyse hit hathe benne bled of lyke tyme that euery of the Kynges subiectes / and all other parsons passynge / or repayynge by Water in the tyde Bote / or Whery Bote / frome London to Crynth / Grenebyth / Craystozrocke / or Burflete / or frome any of the same places to London / one parson or moo to haue a Bote or Whery / of the owners or occupers of the same / to passe theym selfe with theyr males or fardelles bytwene euery of the sayd placys for the onely sūme of. xii. d. or elles euery parson passynge in the sayde Bote or Whery to paye for hym selfe / or for hym selfe his Male or fardell. i. d. so that the sūme of. i. d. of euery pson amoute to the sūme of. xii. d. hath ben compelled to passe forth at euery tyde bytwene the sayde places. ¶ And also it hathe ben bled of lyke tyme that euery of the Kynges subiectes / and all other parsons passynge or repayynge by Water in the Tyde Bote / or Whery Bote / frome London to Wolwich / or from Wolwich to London / one parson or moo to haue a Bote or Whery of the owners / or occupers of the same / to passe theym selfe with theyr males or fardelles bytwene þe same placys for the onely sūme of. viii. d. or elles euery pson passynge in the sayd Bote / or Whery to paye for hym selfe his Male / or fardell. ob. so that the sūme of. ob. of euery parson amoute to the sūme of. viii. d. hath ben compelled to passe forth at euery Tyde bytwene the sayde places. ¶ And also it hathe ben bled of lyke tyme / that euery of the Kynges subiectes and all other parsons passynge / or repayynge by Water in Bote / or Whery from London to Grenewich / or from Grenewich to London one parson / or moo to haue a Bote / or Whery of the owners / or occupers of the same to passe theym selfe / with theyr Males and fardelles / bytwene the same places / for the onely sum of. iiii. d. or elles euery pson passynge in the sayde Bote / or Whery to paye for hym selfe / or for hym selfe his Male / or fardell. ob. so that the sūme of. ob. of euery parson amoute to the somme of. iiii. d. hath ben compelled to passe forth at all tymes bytwene the same places. ¶ And that of lyke tyme hit hath ben bled and accustomed that euery of the Kynges subiectis and all other psons passynge / or repayynge by Water in Bote / or Whery from London bydye / the olde Swanne / the Crayne in the byntre / Dolles wharfe or from saynte Mary ouereys / to Westmester / or Lambeth / or frome Westmester / or Lambeth to any of the sayde places / one parson / or moo to haue a Bote / or Whery of the owners / or occupers of the same to passe theym selfe with theyr Males / and fardelles bytwene euery of the sayd places for þe onely sūme of. iii. d. or els euery pson passynge in the sayde Bote / or Whery to paye for hym selfe / or for hym selfe / and his

farvell. ob. so þ the some of. ob. of euery pson amount to the some of. iii. s. hath ben compelled to passe forth at all tymes bytwene the same places. ¶ And also so it hath ben vsed of lyke tyme/ that euery of the kynges subiectes/ & all other persons passyng o2 repayyng from the blacke fyers/ Bydewell/ o2 from the Temple to Westm/ o2 Lambeth/ o2 from Westm o2 Lambeth/ to any of the sayd places/ one parson o2 mo to haue a bote o2 whery of þ owners o2 occupers of the same/ to passe them selfe with theyr males & fardels/ bytwene euery of the same places for the onely some of. ii. s. o2 els euery pson passyng in the sayd bote/ o2 whery/ to pay for him selfe/ o2 for him selfe/ his male o2 fardell. ob. so that the some of. ob. of euery pson amount to the some of. ii. s. hath ben compelled to passe forth at all tymes bytwene the same places. ¶ And also it hath ben vsed of lyke tyme þ all maner of parsons passyng/ o2 repayyng from Westm to Lambeth/ o2 Stangate to Westm/ o2 from any of the sayd places ouerthwart the Water/ one parson o2 mo/ to haue a bote o2 whery to passe bytwene euery of the sayd places/ in maner & forme asoforsayd/ for the one ly some of. ob. and the owners/ o2 occupers of botes/ haue ben compelled to passe forth at all tymes bytwene the same places/ for þ same som. ¶ And also it hath ben vsed in lyke tyme/ that euery of the kynges subiects/ & all other parsons passyng from London to Hoxlake/ o2 from Hoxlake to London one o2 mo to haue a bote/ o2 whery of the owners/ o2 occupers of the same to passe them selfe with theyr males/ o2 fardels bytwene the sayd places for the onely some of. xii. s. o2 els euery pson passyng in the sayd bote/ o2 whery/ to pay for hym selfe/ o2 for him selfe his male o2 fardell. ii. s. so þ the some of. ii. s. of euery parson amount to the sayd some of. xii. s. ¶ All such laudable customes & blages natwithstādyng/ the owners o2 occupers of the sayd barges/ botes/ & wheryes now of late refuse/ & wyl nat passe with no man for the sayd somes/ except that they haue accor dyng to theyr owne wylls and desyres/ to the great let & inquietnes of all the kynges subiectis/ and of all other that passeth and repayreth by the same/ & contrary to the sayd auncient blages and customs for bykyng of which ordynauce dyuerse & many assautes and frayes dayly ben made/ so that oftē tymes therof manslaughter dothe ensue. And ouer that þ poze husbandmen/ and other householders dwellyng ngyh about such feryes ben vsed/ can haue no seruautes þ wyl serue by the yere/ but only by the weke/ and at the wekes ende to be at theyr lyberty/ to the entente that they may be watermen/ for theyr synguler and excessyue lucre in that behalfe. ¶ Be hit therfor enacted ordeyned & stablyshed by the lordes spirituall and tempozall/ and the comons in this present parlyament assembled/ and by authority of the same/ þ the sayd laudable custome and blages in maner & forme befoze reherfed/ be obserued and kept & duely put in execucyō in euery poynte. And that all and euery þ watermen rowyng in great barges with any lorde/

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oz lordes oz other pson oz psons whatsoeuer they be/take no moze for his wages oz labour by þ day than. vii. d. without mete oz drynke/except he come to Moutlake oz Brenewich/ & thā to take. viii. d. onely without mete & drynke. And that if the kyngs subiectes/oz any of thē/oz any other pson oz psons from henceforth require þ owners oz occupiers of any such barges/botes oz wherps at any of the sayd ferres to passe with thē offeryng thē money for theyr fare oz fares in forme as is afore specified/oz els if the sayd lord/oz other require the sayd watermē to go with them in theyr barges/oz barge for the. vii. d. a day a bouesayd. And the sayd owners oz occupiers watermen/oz bargemē refuse to passe forth with hym/oz thē for the same fare oz wages/than the same owners oz occupiers of such barges/botes/oz wherps/oz the sayd watermen oz bargemen so refusing & euery of thē for euery such refusell to forsayt the treble value of the fare/fares oz wages so refused/þ one halfe of the sayd treble value of the sayd fare/fares oz wages/to be to thuse of our souerayne lord & kyng/ & that other halfe to hym that wyll sue in that behalfe/which sulte the pte þ in that case wyll sue to haue his sulte by accō of det/informacyon oz p̄sentment/and the party defendānt there nat to be admytted to wage his lawe ne to be essoyned ne p̄trecyon/for him to be allowed i the same. And ouer þ it be lesfull to the baylyffes/cōstables/ & other of the kyngs officers & euery of thē in euery place next adioynānt where the sayd ferres ben exercysed upon cōplānt to thē oz any of thē therof made by any of þ kynges subiectes/oz any other pson oz psons that fynde thē greued in þ behalfe/to areste the sayd offender oz offenders/ & to cōmyt thē to warde for their myldeemeaner/ & to make fyne for the same. And that the iustices of peas of euery shyre/where the sayd ferres ben exercysed the mayor/ & sheryffes of Londō/ & the stewardes in their letes & euery of thē haue auctorite to inquire at euery sessyons & letes/as well of þ defautes of the sayd owners/oz occupiers of such barges/botes wherps/watermē & bargemē as/of the defautes of þ sayd officers for lacke of punysshment of euery such offenders.

An acte concernyng the makyng of certen wollen clothes in the countye of Deuon. Cap. viii.



Here at the parlyament holden at Westm̄ the. xiiii. daye of January/after the last prouocacion therof in the. v. yere of the kynges moſte noble reygne/the cōmons & inhabytauntes clothmakers/ & byers of the same within þ countie of Deuonshyre/ prayd and desyred that where dyuers & many clothes called whyte straytes be & haue ben cōtynually made within the sayd countye/to the great profite of the kyngs subgiettes theyr/the which clothes were wont to be well & suffyciently made & to bere theyr brede / yarde brode & halfe quarters rawe/ and. xv. yardes of length. And that no man in tymes past hath bled to make

them but that the maker thereof hath set his specyall marke upon every of the sayd clothes/so by hym or them made/ wherby every man maye knowe they? owne clothes from other mennes/by reason of their sayd severall marke/so at the sayd plyament it was shewed by the inhabytautes clothe makers/ & byers of the same/ in the countye aforesayd/ that now a dayes the sayd clothes be nat sufficyently made/ ne here they? length & bryde accordyng as they shulde do/ ne marked with every manes owne marke/ wherof great incouenyence doth dayly insue & increase to the impouerishyng & hurtynge as well of the kynges subiectes byers & sellers of the same/ as marchauntes straungers/ wherof the premysses consydered. It was therfore enacted by hys kyng our souerayne lord by thassent of the lordes spirituall & tempozall/ & the commons in the same parlyament thā assembled/ & by the auctorite of the same/ that from the feest of Pentecoste next after the makynge of the sayd acte/ no person shulde make any suche clothes called whyte straytes to sell/ withour that he or they be/ whan they be rawe redy to be tokyd of the bryde of a yarde & halfe quarter/ & of lengthe. xij. yards. And that no pson make no such clothes/ but if he set his specyall marke upon everyche of the sayd clothes so by hym or the made/ that no pson use no marke on his clothes/ suche as any other person dothe & hath used before him/ upon payne of forsayte of every of the sayd clothes/ the one halfe thereof to the kyng/ & the other halfe thereof to him that so leaseeth the sayd clothes so made/ or marked contrary to the forme & effecte afoze exprelled. And this acte to endure vnto the first day of this pnt parlyament/ and for asmoche as the sayd acte is thought to be very necessary/ and behouable. ¶ Be it therfore ordeyned established & enacted by the kyng our souerayne lord/ & the lordes spirituall and tempozall/ & the commons in this present plyament assembled/ and by auctorite of the same/ that hys sayd acte concernyng makynge of clothes called whyte straytes/ and every thyng therein cōteyned/ stande & be in his full strength vertue & effect. And ouer that it is ordeyned by the sayd auctorite hys no person/ ne psons from hys feest of saynt Johñ Baptyst next cōpyng shall make any such clothes called whyte straytes/ ne any clothes of that makynge of russet coloure called russet straytes/ without that they & every of the beynge rawe be of hys bryde and length before reherfed/ & to be marked in maner & forme before exprelled/ & so beynge rawe to wey. xiiii. pounde by true weyght at lest/ upon payne of forsayt/ foure of every of the sayd clothes made/ & beynge lesse in length or els in bryde/ or marked contrary to hys forme & effecte before reherfed/ or els beynge of weyght contrary to the forme before exprelled the one halfe of hys sayd forsayture to be to the kyng/ & the other halfe to him hys so leaseeth the sayd clothes so made/ & beynge of weyght contrary to hys forme & effect aforesayd. & this acte to endure for ever.

¶ An acte aduoydyng deceytes in makynge of wollen clothes.

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E Of the deceptfull drappng & makgng of wolen clothes/made and dra-
ped within this realme/and also for mesurynge in the sale of the same.
Our souerayne lord the kyng by the aduise of the lordes spirituall & tempo-
rall/ & of the commons in this present parlyament assembled/ & by auctorite of the
same hath ordeyned establisshed & enacted dyuers ordynances and statutes/
for the true makng & drappng of suche wolen clothes/ and for mesurynge in
sale the trewe content of the same/ in maner & forme folowng. first that the
wolle which shalbe deliuered for or by þ clothyer to any pson or psons for hys
kyng/kembng/cardng/or spynng of the same/the deliuerer therof.ther/
for shalbe by euen iust & trewe poyss and weyghte of haberdepoyss sealed by
auctorite nat excedng in weyghte after þ rate of. xii. poundes of wolle a-
boue one quarter of a pounde for þ wast of the same wolle & in none other ma-
ner. And that the breker/or kember to deliuer agayne to the sayd clothyer the
same wolle so broken & kempt/and the carder & spynner to deliuer agayne to
the same clothyer/perne of the same wolle by the same euen iust & trewe poyss
and weyghte/ þ waste therof excepted without any parte therof cocelng/or a-
ny moze oyle water or other thyng put therinto decepuably/bpō the payne to
forfayte to the lord of þ Lete/within pryncyt wherof suche default is done/ for
euery such default. xii. s. bpon demer pzoof of such decepte afoze/ & by discrecy-
on of þ mayze/bailly or other heed offyccer of þ cytie/borough/or towne/where
the decept shall apere the sãe mayze/bailly/or heed offyccer callng to him suche
psons as shall seme to hym couenyent for the pzoof of suche decept. Item þ the
weuer whiche shall haue the weuyng of any wollen perne to be webbed into
clothe shall weue/werke/ & put into the webbe for clothe to be made therof al-
moche & all the same perne as the clothyer or any pson for him shall deliuer to
the same weuer with his bled marke put to þ same/without chaungng or any
parcell therof leuyng out of the same webbe/ or þ restoze to the same clothyer
the surpluse of the same perne/ if any shalbe lefte nat put into the same webbe/
and without any moze oyle/hene/moysture/dust/sãde/or other thyng decep-
uably puttyng or castng to þ same webbe/bpō payne to forfayt for euery de-
fault. iiii. s. iiii. d. ¶ Item þ no maner pson bye any coloured wolles/or colour-
ed wolen yarne of any carder/spynner/or weuer/ but onely in open market
bpon payne of forfaytoure of such woll & yarne so bought. ¶ Itē that the wal-
ker and fuller shall truely walke/ full/thrycke/ & werke euery webbe of wollen
perne/whiche he shall haue to walke/fulle/thicke/ or werke wout any flockes/
or any other maner decepte to be bled on the same/ & shall nat rowe nor werke
any clothe or webbe with any cardes on þ ryght syde/nor on the wronge syde
bpon payne to forfayte for euery such default. vi. s. viii. d. ¶ Item þ the clo-
thyer nor other pson what so euer he be/ shall nat put any clothe to sale/ which
whan it shalbe full wette shall shrynke moze than one parde in all þ length and

one quarter of a yarde in the bzede / for the moze parte therof. & clothes called narrowes oꝝ straytes after the rate vpon payne to forsaite / for euery clothe oꝝ therwyle put to sale. vi. s. viii. d. & besyde to deducte of his pꝛice for the same to be rebated to the byer therof almoche after the rate as the same clothe so oꝝ therwyle put to sale / beyng full wette shalbe shonke moze than one yarde of that it was in length / tyme of the same sale / & as it shal beyng wette / wante of the bzede of one yarde & .iii. quarters of a yarde. ¶ Item that the byer of wollen clothes denyfyll / oꝝ alpeyn after the byeng therof shal nat drawe noꝝ cause to be drawn in length / noꝝ strayne / noꝝ do to be strayned i bzede the same clothes oꝝ any of the by teyntour oꝝ wynche / oꝝ by any other meane vpon payne of forsaite for euery of the same clothes so to be drawn / oꝝ strayned. C. s. ¶ Drouyded alway that if such byer of wollen clothis / for pꝛe cause the same to be wette / he may drawe & strayne the for euerynge of them onely / so that he excede nat one yarde in lengthe moze than it shalbe / whan it shalbe full wette. ¶ Itē that no maner pson werke oꝝ put vpon any wollen clothes any flockes oꝝ other deceyuable thyng / bꝛō payne to forsaite / for euery clothe so wrought deceyuably with flockes / oꝝ other deceyuable thyng. xx. s. ¶ It that no maner pson by oꝝ sell any wollen clothes / by other measure moze oꝝ lesse thā after the trewe cōtent therof to be moten & mesured by þ yarde / addyng to euery yarde one ynche of rule vpon payne to forsaite for euery cloth to the contrary mesured. C. s. The one moꝛte of all the sayd forsaities / be to our souerayne loꝛde the kyng / and to euery pson whiche shal sewe by wytte / byll / oꝝ other playnte of dette in that behalfe agaynst the person doyng to the contrary of any of the sayd oꝛdynaunces / the other moꝛte. And that the defendaūt in any plee vpon any such accion / be nat admytted to wage his lame / noꝝ any proteccion no escoꝛpe for any suche defendaunt be allowed in the same. ¶ Drouyded alway þ this acte extēde nat to wolled clothes called kendalles / noꝝ clothes called carpenell whytes comōly made for lynyng for hosen / noꝝ to any clothes called tostones made in the couēte of Deuolshyre / noꝝ to any wollen clothes made in þ couēte of Cornewall / noꝝ for any cottens oꝝ playne lynyng / oꝝ fypse made oꝝ to be made in Wales / Llacasthyre & Cheshyre / oꝝ any of them.

An acte for Cōmpyllyons of Sewers. Cap. x.

Where in the parlyament of the right noble pꝛince Henry the septe late kyng of Englaunde holden at Westm. the. vi. yere of his reygne one good Estatute was made & ordeyned that for. x. yeres than next folowynge seuerall cōpillyons of Sewers shulde be made to dyuers psons by the chaunceller of Englande for the tyme beyng to be named in dyuers parties of this realme where nede were / after the C. iii.

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forme & tenoure of a cōmissiō in the sayd acte espreçyfed whiche acte & other actes for the auctozite of such cōmissiōners & execuciōns of the same haue sythen ben made & ordeyned and contynued as ben moze playnly reherced in the parlyament holden in the .iiii. yere of the reygne of kyng Henry late kyng of Englande the .viii. And in the same parlyament the sayd fourth yere it was amonge other enacted & establiſhed that for .xxv. yeres than folowynge seuerall cōmissiōns of sewers shulde be made to dyuerse p̄sons by the chaunceller of Englande for the tyme beyng to be named in all partes of this realme / and of the marches of Calyce / Guynes / & Hāmes / where nede shulde be made accordyng to the sayd cōmissiō cōteyned in the sayd sytē yere of kyng Henry the sytē / and that all such cōmissiōners shulde haue full power to make / ordeyne / and execute ordynāces / & all other thynges do accordyng to the purpoze of the same cōmissiō / whiche .xxv. yeres cōpysed in the sayd acte ben nowe determyned. Pleaſe it therfoze the kyng our souerayne lord / with thassēt of the lordes spūall and tēporall / & the cōmens in this p̄sent p̄lyament assembled / by auctozite of the same to ordeyne establiſhe & enacte / that þ sayd actes & all other actes & auctozities here tofoze made cōcernyng cōmissiōners of sewers and theyr cōmissiōns & auctozyte nat- beyng before this tyme repelled abyde and stāde from hensforth good & effectuell to endure for euer. And also that the chaunceller of Englande for the tyme being shall haue from hensforth full power and auctozyte for euer to graūt cōmissiōns of sewers into euery parte of this realme / & the sayd marches / where nede is or shalbe to certayne p̄sons / by the sayd chaunceller for the tyme beyng / to be named accordyng to the forme & effecte of the sayd cōmissiō & acte exp̄ressed in the sayd parlyament holden the sayd sytē yere of the reygne of kyng Henry þ sytē. ¶ And ouer that be it ordeyned enacted & establiſhed by the sayd auctozyte / þ all suche cōmissiōners haue & shall haue full power & auctozite / to put theyr cōmissiō in dewe execution & to make & execute estatutes & ordynāces / & all other thynges to do after the effecte & purpoze of theyr cōmissiō / & that all cōmissiōns of sewers graūted or made sythen the sayd .xxv. yeres determyned / and the actes ordynāces and all executiōns & other thynges / by the cōmissiōners of þ same cōcernyng theyr sayd cōmissiōns or any two of the same cōmissiōners / & euery thyng in the same cōpysed / be & shalbe effectuell & of lyke strenght / as if the sayd cōmissiō had ben made or graūted within the sayd .xxv. yeres immediat after the sayd p̄lyament holden the sayd .iiii. yere of the reygne of kyng Henry the .viii. ¶ And also be it enacted by the sayd auctozyte / þ the chaunceller of Englande for the tyme beyng shall make no cōmissiō to any person or p̄sons for the executiōns of this acte except he haue landes & tenemētes of astate of freholde to the p̄sent value of .xx. l. at the leest or els be iustyce of quoz- lerned / within any of the Shyres where he shalbe made cōmissiōner / and if any suche cōmissiōner

tion be directed to any pson or persons/nat haupng landes & tenemētes to the perely value of. xx. li. or nat beyng one of the iustices of quoy lerned as afore sayd that euery suche compyllyon & all pntemētes accusacions had & presented befoze any such commissioners/ & also all & euery fynes set by the sayd commissioner or commissioners/ to be utterly voyde & of none effect. this acte to endure but for. x. yeres/ & fro thende of the same. x. yeres vnto the next parlyament.

An acte for bowstaues to be brought into this realme by straungers. Cap. xi.

Here by an acte of parlyamēt holden at Westm the. xiiii. day of Decembze/ in the. iiii. yere of the reygne of kyng Rycharde the. iii. in dede and nat in right kyng of Englade it was enacted/ that no marchaūt of Wensle noz other wont to resort i to this realme with marchaūdyle of those parties bring in to this sayd realme any marchaūdyles/ but if the same marchaūt bring with euery butte of Malmesey/ & with euery butte of Tyre. x. bowstaues of good & able stuffe vnder payne of forfayture of. xlii. s. iiii. d. for euery butte of the forsayd wyne so brought/ & nat the nombze of p sayd bowstaues with the sayd butte/ the one halfe therof to the kyng/ and the other halfe therof to the ptye that for the same wyll lewe/ as by the sayd acte & ordynauce moze playnly appereth/ the intent of whiche acte & estatute & the myndes of the makers therof was p the sayd estatute shulde nat extēde to any of the kynges subiectes borne within this his realme of Englande/ Wales/ or Irland/ but onely vnto marchaūtes of Wensle & other marchaūtes straungers wont to resort into this realme with marchaūdyles of those parties. And this nat withstanding dyuers p kyng/ subiectes borne within this his realme of Englande/ of late haue ben inquyeted/ beted/ & troubled in the kynges eschequer for byngyng of Malmesey into this realme without bowstaues cōtrary to the true entent of the sayd acte & estatute. Wherfoze be it enacted ordeyned suged & declared by the kyng our souerayne lord/ the lordes spirituall & temporall & the commons in this present plyament assembled/ & by thauctozite of the same/ that the sayd acte made in the. iiii. yere of the sayd late kyng Rycharde extēde nat to any of the kynges subiectes borne within this realme/ Wales/ or Irland/ but that they & euery of the be forpysed out of the sayd acte for any penaltie to be leuyed in any wyse vpon them or any of theyz executoures or administratoures/ but that they & euery of the be dyscharged by thauctozite of this plyamēt of all maner of accpons/ lutes bylles of complayntes taken / sued or to be taken and sued in the kynges Eschequer or any other of his courtes or any other courte or courtes / place or places for any penaltie or sommes of money compysed in the sayd acte or for concernyng any thyng specyfyed in the sayd acte. This acte to endure to the nexte parlyament.

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An acte for Nozffoke wolles nat to be carped
out of the lande. Cap. xii.

Here as moche people beyng in the cytie of Nozmyche and countye of
W Nozffoke haue ben well occupped by woll which haue growen in the
sayd countye of Noz. as in spympng & weuyng of woztsted / sherynge
therof / dyenge / & calendryng of the same / wherby great comoditie of woztste-
des & stampnges haue ben well maynteyned within this realme & all though
the sayd wolles growyng in the sayd shyre of Noz. be none staple wolles / yet
be there dyuerse straungers intedyng the destruction of the sayd comoditie of
woztsted makynge / to be bled in this realme haue nowe of late conueyed out of
the same countye of Noz. by shyppes into the parties of Holande / & zelande
beyonde the see great plentie of wolles / that hath growen in the sayd countie of
Noz. and vpon the borders of the same / of which lyke wolles the sayd woztste-
des & stampnges haue ben accustomed to be made within þe sayd cytie & coun-
tye / which wolles in no wyse wyll serue to drape or make any wollen clothes /
but onely serue to the vse of makynge of the sayd woztsted / & of the / as it is sayd
the sayd straungers & alpens intende to make woztstedes & stampnges in the
sayd parties beyonde the see / to the vtter vndoynge of the sayd cytie & countye
and destruction of the sayd comodities of woztsted / if remedy be nat therfore
redely purposed. Wherfore by thassent of the kynge our souerayne lord / & his
lordes spyrituall & tempozall / and the commons in this present parlyament assem-
bled / and by auctorite of the same be it enacted / ordeyned / & establyshed / that
from hensforth no person ne persons / of what degre or condycion they or he be of
take vpon hym or the to shyppe / carry / or do to be shypped or carped into any
parties beyonde þe see / any maner wolles or wolles growyng or hereafter shall
growe / there vsually called Irlande or any other wolles growyng within the
same shyres / or the borders of the same / necessary & behouefull vnto the enha-
pytautes there / for the makynge & brekyng of woztstedes & stampnges aforesayd.
&c. Within the sayd shyre of Noz. or any parte of the same shyre / vpon payne
of forfayture of euery stone of wolles so shypped carryed / or coueyed. xl. s. the
one partye of such forfayture to be to the kynge our souerayne lord / & the other
of the sayd forfayture to hym or the that wyll sewe therfore / by accyon of dette
by wyrtte at the comen lawe or playnte i any court of recoorde within the sayd
realme or by enformacion in the kynge's eschequer / in which accyon none essoyfi-
nor pteccion shalbe allowable for the defendaut / and that all lycences therfore
granted / or here after to be granted / & euery of them be vtterly voyde / & here-
after takyth none effect. &c. And this acte to endure to the next parlyament.

An acte concernyng thaduoydyng of shotynge / and keepyng
of crossebowes / and handgonnes. Cap. xiii.

Where the kynges subgettes dayly delpte theſelfe in ſhotyng in croſſe
 bowes/ wherby ſhotyng in longe bowes is ſ leſſe bleſed/ and dyuers
 good eſtatutes for reſormacyō of the ſame/ haue ben made and had:
 And that natwithſtandynge many & dyuers nat regardyng/ nor ſeruyng the pe-
 nalties of the ſayd eſtatutes ble daily to ſhote in croſſe bowes & hande gonnes/
 wherby the kynges dere & other lordes of this his realme are dyſtroyed/ and
 ſhalbe dayly moze & moze onleſſe remedy therfore be puyded. Wherfore be it
 ordeyned & enacted by auctorite of this preſent parlyamēt/ that no pſon from
 henceforth ſhote in any croſſebowe oꝝ hande gonne/ vpon payne of forſayture of
 the ſame bowe & gonne/ onleſſe he oꝝ other to his ble/ oꝝ to the ble of his wyfe/
 haue landes & tenementes/ fees/ annuytes/ oꝝ other pſtytes/ to the yerely value
 of. CCC. marke. and for euery tyme ſo vſyng to ſhote in croſſebowe oꝝ hande
 gonne to forſayte. x. li. for euery tyme ſo offendyng. and that it ſhalbe leſfull to
 euery of the kynges ſubgettes to leaſe & take any ſuche croſſebowe oꝝ gonne/
 and them to haue & reſeyne to his owne ble. and that euery man that wyl pur-
 ſewe for the ſayd penaltye of. x. li. to haue the one moyte & the kyng the other
 moyte. and that no man after the feſt of Whytſontyde next comynge kepe in
 his houſe ne els where any croſſebow oꝝ hande gonne/ vpon payne of impry-
 ſonment/ & to forſayte to our ſoueraigne lord the kyng. x. li. onleſſe that he oꝝ
 other to his ble haue lande/ & teſtifies to the yerely value of. CCC. mark/ as is
 abouelſayd. And that all placardes oꝝ other lycence gyuen by the king our ſo-
 ueraigne lord to any pſon oꝝ pſons to ſhote in croſſebowes/ be from henceforth
 voyde & of none effecte. and that all the ſayd defaultis beforſayd be al well pur-
 nyſhable befoze the kyngis counſell by examinacion/ as befoze the juſtyce of
 peas by exaſacion oꝝ preſentmēt/ that in any accion to be taken for any of the
 ſayd penaltyes the defendaunt ſhall nat wage his lawe. **¶** Prouyded alway
 that this acte extēde nat to the makers of croſſebowes/ but that they may lau-
 fully kepe croſſebowes in theyꝝ houſes/ & ſhote in croſſebowes onely for pro-
 uynge and aſſayng of them. **¶** Prouyded alwayes that in all walled townes
 within. vii. myles of the ſee & other townes oꝝ holdes ſtandyng vpon the ſee-
 coſtes/ oꝝ vpon any of the englyſſhe marches forayenſte Scotlande/ it ſhalbe
 leſfull to euery man dwellyng in ſuche townes/ oꝝ holdes to kepe in theyꝝ hou-
 ſes beyng within the ſame townes croſſebowes & hande gonnes for the onely
 defence of the ſayd townes/ holdes/ & houſes/ and al well to exercyſe & ble them
 in and for the defence of the ſayd townes/ & houſes beyng in the ſame townes
 as for to cary them to theyꝝ ſhyppes there to kepe & exercyſe them for the de-
 fence of theyꝝ ſhyppes & for goodes in the ſame ſhyppes & for none other cauſe
 any thyng cōpꝛyſed oꝝ expꝛeſſed in this ſayd acte/ oꝝ any other acte oꝝ actes to
 foze made to the contrary natwithſtandynge.

¶ Prouyded alſo that if any pſon oꝝ pſons hereafter in any parte do offende

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o2 do contrarpe to the putuewe & remedy of this acte / wherupon there is cause of accion fo2 the same gguen to the kyng o2 his heyres / o2 to any other person o2 psons that wyllewe by vertue of this acte / fo2 the punysshment of the sayd offence o2 fo2faptis / that if the kyng our sayd soueraygne lord o2 his heyres within a yere next / & immediatly after such offences & fo2faptes had and made / do nat pursue the sayd accion o2 accions so gguen by this sayd acte o2 cause examynacyon upon such defaultis and offencis to be had and made / befoze they councell acco2dyng to the meanynge of the same acte. and euery other person whiche hereafter may haue accyon o2 accions upon this estatute within halfe a yere next and immediatly after suche offences and fo2faptes had and made / do nat comence theyr suppes / informacion / o2 presentmentes of & upon the sayd fo2faptes by accion / o2 otherwyle as of and upon suche fo2faptes be declared and expressed in the sayd acte / that than alwell the kyng our sayd soueraygne lord and his heyres / after a yere next after suche offences & fo2faptes had and made / if none suppe in his o2 theyr name be taken by accion o2 otherwyle / as is afore expressed befoze the same yere ended and determyned / as euery other person after halfe a yere next after lyke offences and fo2faptes had and made in forme afore sayd / if none suppe therupon be takyn by none of them in forme aboue declared be utterly excluded and barred of theyr sayde suppes accyons and examynacions to theym gguen by vertue of this sayd acte. And the parties & euery of them so offendyng be of all suche offences and fo2faptes clerely discharged and quyte / any thyng in this acte o2 any other acte o2 actes here afore made and compysed / to the contrarpe natwithstandyng / and as though this acte had neuer ben had ne made.

¶ And also prouyded and be it enacted that all other actes had & made / at any tyme befoze the begynnyng of this present parlyamēt onely concernyng shopyng in crossebowes be from hensforth utterly voyde & of none effecte.

¶ Prouyded also that this acte / o2 any thyng therein conteyned extende nat no2 be prejudiciall to any marchantis / the which haue o2 shall haue any crossebowes o2 handegonnes to sell within this realme / and to none other vse.

¶ Prouyded alway that no maner of person ryne in any daunger / o2 take hurte by reason of any penaltie o2 fo2fapture conteyned in this acte / to suche tyme pclamacion be made of the same acte / no2 by the space of .xx. dayes next after the sayd pclamacyon be made within the countie where the partye / that shall o2 may offende contrary to the tenoure of this acte dwelleth.

¶ Prouyded also that if any manner of persone bynge / o2 do to be brought with him into his lodgyng / o2 into any other mannes house / any crossebowe o2 handegonne / that than the penalte and fo2fapture if any suche be / o2 hereafter shalbe fo2fapted by reason of this acte to ryne & be onely upon the bynnger of the sayd crossebowe & handegonne / and nat to the owner of the same lodgyng

o2 house/ any thyng in this acte made to the contrary nat withstandynge.
Consouped alwayes/ that this acte concernynge crosbowes & hande gonnes/
 ne any thyng therein cōteyned extēde / o2 in any wyse be hurtfull to any person
 o2 persons to whom it shall please the kynge our soueraigne lord / o2 his hey-
 res to licence by his placarde as well to shote in crosbowes / o2 hande gonnes
 and in every of them as to haue & kepe the same crosbowes & hande gonnes in
 his o2 theyr houses for the defence of the same / & that it be enacted by auctorite
 of this present parlyamēt / that every suche licence by the kynges placarde / o2
 his heyres to be made / shalbe as good & effectiual in the lawe to every suche
 person o2 persons haunyng the same for any thyng concetnyng this acte of
 crosbowes & hande gonnes / as though it were vnder the great seale.

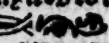

An acte for the kynges subspdie / of tonnage
 and pondage. Capit. xliii.

Where in the parlyamēt holden at Westmester the .xii. yere of the
 reygne of kynge Edward the fourthe amonges other thynges/
 it is ordeyned & p̄souded / that if any marchaundises were shipp-
 ped to be carped to the parties beyonde the see / o2 brought from
 the sayd parties into any port of this realme & ther put to lande
 and discharged by way of marchaundises / the subspdie of tonnage & pondage
 therof due to the kynge nat payde / no2 therfore agreed with the Collectours
 of the sayd subspdie in the port / where it shulde happen the sayd mar-
 chaundises to be shipped o2 dyscharged / that then the sayd marchaundises
 shulde be forsafted to the kynge / as in the same ordynance moze at large doth
 appere whiche ordynance was made / to endure durynge to the naturall lyfe
 of the sayd late kynge / and no lenger and syns therp̄p̄nyng of the sayd esta-
 tute the kynges subiectes daily do byp̄nyng in theyr marchaundises / and laye
 it on lande / and comtyme haue it into theyr owne houses the subspdie tonna-
 ge / and pondage therof due to the kynge our soueraigne lord nat payed / no2
 therfore agreed with the collectours of the subspdie in the port wher the sayd
 marchaundises is so layde on lande / by reason wherof the kynge our souera-
 gne lord be that now is / daily dothe sustayne great and manyfolde deceptes
 and losses in the payment of these subspdies / and moze is lyke to sustayne p̄re
 medy be nat p̄souded in this behalfe. Be it therfore ordeyned by the kynge
 our soueraigne lord / by thadvice and assent of the lordes spirituall and tem-
 porall / and the commons in this parlyament assembled / and by auctorite of
 the same parlyament that the sayd ordynances stande / and be good and effe-
 ctual durynge the naturall lyfe of the kynge our soueraigne lord that now
 is and no lenger.

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An acte adnullynge seconde letter Patentes durynge the
kynges pleasure makynge no mencyon of the first
letters Patentes. Capit. xv.



He kynges hyghnes of his goodnes callynge to his remem-
brance that where his grace hath graunted to diuerse of
his seruautes for theyr service to his grace done landes/te-
nemetes/ fees/ offices / and other thynges to haue to them
durynge his pleasure. And after other persons/ by theyr
sundry suppes haue obteyned of his hyghnes other letters
patentes of the same nat aduertisynge his grace of his for-
mure grauntes/ wherby the sayd formure Patentes haue ben aduopded and
put from the aduantage of theyr sayd formure grauntes & Patentes/ cōtrary
to thentent and graunt of our souerayne lozde. Wherfoze be it ordeyned/esta-
blyshed / and enacted by our sayd souerayne lozde / the lozdes spirituall and
temporall/ & the cōmons in this present parlyament assembled/ & by auctorite
of the same/ that if any person or persons from hensforth do make suppe to the
kynges hyghnes for any landes/ tenemetes/ offices / or any other thynges so
by his grace graunted/ or hereafter to be graunted to any person or persons du-
rynge his pleasure/ the sayd first patente then beyng in lyfe that he do expresse
in his sayd bylle of peticion or patente the tenoure of hys sayd formure patente.
And that the kyng then hath determined his pleasure agaynst the sayde first
patente/ or elles the seconde letters patentes of any of the p̄mises to any per-
son hereafter to be graunted be voyde and of none effecte. 
This acte to commente and take effecte from the. iiii. day of Aprill nexte
comynge/ and nat befoze. 

An acte that no knyghtes of shyres/ nor burgyles departe
befoze the ende of the parlyament. Capit. xvi.



Wher moche as comonly in the ende of every parlyament dyuerse
and many great & weyghy maters/ as well touchynge the pleasure
weale/ and suerte of our souerayne lozde the kyng / as the cōmon
weale of this his realme & subiettes are to be tracted compned of/
and by auctorite of parlyament to be concluded. so it is that dyuerse knyghtes
of shyres/ cytezens for cytes/ burgyles for boroughes/ and barons of the synke
portes longe tyme befoze the ende of the sayd parlyamēt of theyr owne aucto-
rytes departe and goth home into theyr countres/ wherby the sayd great and
weyghy maters are many tymes greatly delayed. In cōsideracion wherof
be it enacted by the kyng our souerayne lozde / the lozdes spirituall & tempo-

raill & the commons in this present parliament assembled / & by auctorite of the sayd me / that from henceforth the none of the sayd knyghtes / cytezens / burghes / & barons / nor any of them / that hereafter shalbe elected to come or be in any parliament / do nat departe from the same parliament / nor absent hymselfe from the same tyll the same parliament be fully fynished / ended / or proged / excepte he or they so departyng haue lycence of the speaker & commons in the sayd parliament assembled / & the same lycence be entered of recoorde in the booke of the clarke of the parliament appoynted / or to be appoynted for the common hous / upon payne to euery of them so departyng or absenting themselfe in any other maner to lose all those sumes of money / which he or they shulde / or ought to haue had for his or theyr wages / & that all the countie / cyties / and boroughes / wherof any such person shalbe elected & the inhabitants of the same shalbe clerely discharged of þe sayd wages against þe sayd person þe sayd & theyr executors for evermore.

An acte for clenying of the ryuer of Caunterbury. Ca. xvi.

In moost humble wyse shewen the kynges byghnes his trewe and faythfull subiectes the Mayre / Aldermen / cytezens of the cytie of Caunterbury / that where the sayd cytie is one of the auncient cyties of this realme / & thowghe the same hath ben & yet is great recourse of enbassatours & other straungers fro the parties of beyonde þe see / where also of the bodies of the holy cofessor and byshop seynt Austyn thapostolyke of Englande / and also the blessed martyr seynt Thomas / and of many other holy sayntes ben honourably humate and shryned / is now of late in great ruyne and decaye / and the inhabytauntes therof empoueryshed & many of great manciōs in the same desolat / whiche ruyne decaye and desolacion of lyke can nat be resourmed ne amendyd / onlesse the ryuer that gothe and extēdyth fro the towne of great Chart in the countie of Kent vnto the sayd cytie / & thowgh & fro the sayd cytie vnto the hauen of Sandwyche may be so deped / enlarged / & of mylles & dammes & other annoyances now beyng in / and ouerthwarte the same ryuer betwene the sayd cytie & the comon Crane in the towne of Fordwyche be euoyded / scoured & taken awaye / whiche ryuer betwene the sayd cytie & Crane contēpnyeth in lengthe two myles / so that carriages by lyghters & bootes may by the sayd ryuer be coueyed betwene the sayd Crane in the sayd towne of Fordwyche vnto the sayd cytie / whiche depyng / enlargyng & scouryng of the sayd ryuer / as is before sayd shall nat be only to the pyttes & auayle of the sayd cytie & inhabytantes of the same / but also shal cause the hauen of the towne and porte of Sandwyche to be deeper and larger to the great commodytie of great nombre of the kynges subgettes. In consyderacion wherof it may please the kyng / with thassent of the lordes spiritual

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and tempoꝝ all / and the commons in this pꝛesent parlyament assembled / and by the auctoꝛite of the same to enacte & establyshe / that the sayd Mayze / Aldermen / Citezens / and inhabitautes of the sayd cytie and theyꝝ successours / with thaduyse / assent / and agrement alwell to the reuerende father in god Wylm archebysshoppe of Canterbury / oꝛ his successours / & of two oꝛ thre knyghtes beyng Justices of peas of the shyre of Kent / foꝛ the tyme beyng / as of the Mayze of the towne and poꝛte of Sandwyche afoꝛesayd to the sayd werkes / at the request of the sayd Mayze of the sayd cytie / foꝛ the tyme beyng despyed and called / may lefully at all / and euery tyme hereafter in suche places of the sayd ryuer / as to the sayd knyghtes / Mayzes / and Aldermen / shall seme conuenient depe / enlarge / clense / enhaunce and socoure / and cause to be deped / enlarged / & clensted the sayd ryuer with all thynges therunto requysyte betwene the sayd towne of Chart / and the sayd cytie and thozughe the same / and fro the sayd cytie vnto the sayd Crane in suche maner as lyghters / and bootes may haue by the same ryuer there full passage and course foꝛ caryage by the same to be conueyed and without lette interuption / impechement / dyrburbaunce / oꝛ denyer of any pson oꝛ persons. And after suche depyng / enlargyng / enhaunsyng / clensyng / and scouryng / as is befoꝛe sayd done the sayd Mayze / Aldermen / Cytezens / and inhabitautes of the sayd cytie with thassent and consent / as is befoꝛe sayd optayned may lefully alwell stoppe dyches / and make / and enhaunce Bayes / bynkes / dammes / and walles foꝛ the auauysyng / and in hyghyng of the sayd ryuer / as to take downe / abate / & put away all mylles bydges / dammes / walles / and other what someuer impedymment lyenge ouer oꝛ ouerthwarte the sayd ryuer / betwene the sayd towne of great Chart to the sayd cytie / and thozughe the same / and fro the sayd cytie to the foꝛesayd comon Crane / and other thynges therunto requysyte / wherby the course of the sayd lyghters & botes shulde be letted. And that no accion / sute therfoꝛe be mayntenable / oꝛ to be had agayne the sayd Mayze / Aldermen / Cytezens / and inhabitautes oꝛ any of them / oꝛ theyꝝ assygnes foꝛ the pꝛemys / oꝛ any of them in maner afoꝛesayd.

Wherby alway that euery pesson that shalbe dampnyfied by puttyng away oꝛ abatynge of his mylle / bydge / oꝛ damme / oꝛ mylles / bydges / oꝛ dammes shalbe resonably satysfied therfoꝛe foꝛ suche damages / as he oꝛ they shall haue by reason of the same by the sayd Mayze / Aldermen / Cytezens / & inhabitautes of the sayd cytie & theyꝝ successours / as the sayd archebysshoppe of Caunterbury that nowe is / and his successours / and the sayd knyghtes shall awarde consyder and adyuge.

An acte foꝛ the contynuaunce of the vnderthynges
of Bysshowe. Capit. xlii.

Where at parlyament holden at Westmeſter the firſt day of May in the. xxi. yere of the reygne of kyng Edward the. iii. amonge other thynges. It was ordeyned/ eſtabliſhed and enacted/ that no ſherpyſſe/ vnderſherpyſſe/ ne clarke of ſherpyſſe ſhulde contynue oꝛ abyde in his offyce ouer one yere/ as by the ſayd eſtatute moze at large it dothe appere whiche eſtatute in a parlyament holden at Westmeſter/ the. xxv. daye of February/ in the. xxiij. yere of the reygne of kyng Henry the. vii. amonge other was reherſed/ and by auctoꝛyte of the ſame parlyament/ than was ordeyned y the ſayd eſtatute amonge other ſhulde be dewely obſerued in euery ſhyꝛe of Englande. The vnderſherpyſſes and all other offycers/ within the cytie of London/ that than were/ oꝛ after that ſhulde be alway exceptyd. And ſuche countyes onely excepted in whiche dyuerſe of the lyege people of the ſayd kyng/ in oꝛ to the offyce of the ſherpyſſe wyke at that day were inheritable. And alſo ſuche perſons as at that tyme had eſtate of freholde/ in the offyce of any ſherpyſſe wyke/ and letters patentes to theym made of the offyce of ſherpyſſe wyke/ and theyꝛ vnderſherpyſſes/ and clarkes exceptyd. And ouer that by the ſame eſtatute of Henry the. vi. It was ordeyned and enacted that if any ſherpyſſe/ vnderſherpyſſe/ oꝛ clarke of ſherpyſſe occupye the offyce of ſherpyſſe/ vnderſherpyſſe/ oꝛ clarke of ſherpyſſe contrary to the eſtatute befoze reſcyted/ oꝛ agayne the eſſe oꝛt intente of the ſame excepte/ befoze excepted/ that than he that ſo occupyeth ſhulde foꝛſayte the ſome of. C. l. yerely as longe as he occupyeth contrary to the effecte of the ſayd eſtatute. And that euery pardon in tyme to come to be made foꝛ ſuche offycers occupacion of foꝛſayture of ſomes ſhulde be boyde and nat auaylable/ & all patentes made and to be made of any of y ſayd offices foꝛ terme of yeres/ terme of lyfe in fee ſimple/ oꝛ in fee tayle to any of the kynges liege people except befoze excepted ſhulde be boyde & of no balure by the ſame auctoꝛyte any clause oꝛ woꝛde (de non obſtante) to be put in any ſuche patentes to be made nat withſtādyng. And that euery of the kynges liege people/ y wyl ſewe foꝛ the ſome foꝛſayte agayne him oꝛ the/ that in ſuche maner ſhall foꝛſayte ſhalbe receyued & admytted to ſewe accyon of det in his owne name/ the kyng to haue y one moyte of all that/ that by that accyon ſhulde be recouered. and that ſo ſhall ſewe ſhulde haue the other moyte/ as by ſayde eſtatutes amonge other thynges moze playnely it dothe appere. Be it now enacted/ aſtablyſhed & ordeyned by the kyng our ſoueraygne lord/ by the aſſet of his lordes ſpirituall & tempoꝛall & y comons in this preſent parlyament aſſembled/ & by auctoꝛite of the ſame/ that it ſhalbe laufull foꝛ the vnderſherpyſſe/ oꝛ vnderſherpyſſes/ & all other officers of ſherpyſſes/ that now be/ oꝛ hereafter ſhalbe within the ſhyꝛe of the towne of Wyſtome from hence foꝛthe/ to contynue and occupye theyꝛ ſayd offyces/ & euery of them from yere to yere in lyke maner and fourme/ as the vnderſherpyſſes and other offycers

Anno sexto.

of sheryffes within the cytie of London: do and may do without any penaltie
o2 fo2fayture fo2 the same: the sayd acte o2 actes befoze reherfed: o2 any other
acte o2 actes befoze this tyme had o2 made to the cōtrary natwithstandyng.

¶ Finis anno sexto. Henrici. viii.

¶ Here endeth the statut^s holden at westmester the. v. day of
February. In the. vi. yere of the moſte noble reyggen of kynge
Henry the. viii. Enprynted by the cōmaundement of our so-
uereyne lord the kyng & his counsell (by Richarde Pynson)
prynter vnto his moſte noble grace / D wellynge in London
in fleteſtrete / at the ſygne of the George / beſyde ſaynt Dun-
ſtanes church. 